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WINNING A WIFE.

Mr. Claymer, of Texas, and His Remarkable Trade.

Everybody said that Ben Claymer was a "crank," and no one thought so more strongly than Marian Harper, who had been the object of his eccentric attention for many months. She, being a student of human nature, was calmly amused with this "odd freak," as she called him.

"He is a puzzle, Aunt Jane," she said; "I don't know whether to think him a genius or an idiot. Sometimes I'm more than half-inclined to believe the latter."

When Claymer called on Marian, it would seem that he took no note of time, and only the broadest of hints from her would arouse him. Then he would smile good-humoredly, and say: "What's the use of going anywhere, anyway? Just about the time I get to feeling settled and at home, somebody tells me to go. Poor little Joe! 'Move on.'"

For several months his visits would be regular and often, and then cease altogether, while for weeks he would confine himself closely to his work. Marian paid no attention to these sudden falls of temperature, having long since ceased to wonder at anything he did, and when, after about a month's absence, he reappeared, she greeted him as usual and never called him to account for his neglect.

Mr. Claymer was a "struggling" journalist, whose fortune was yet to be made, and Marian was the daughter of a distinguished lawyer in good circumstances. Perhaps this is the reason why Claymer never indulged any tender sentiments in all his long talks with Marian. They discussed the tariff, labor question, science and religion, and Marian proved herself thoroughly mistress of all these weighty subjects, being an industrious reader who always kept "posted." She captured the intellect of Ben Claymer thus, just as her sweet womanly ways had conquered his heart. Claymer was a politician "to the bone," and enthusiastic friends said that he should enter politics for himself instead of spending all his time and energy in working for others. This Claymer refused to do, and continued, with the greatest good humor, to play jackal to inferior lions much after the manner of Sidney Carton.

"He has no ambition," Marian said to herself. "Dear me! If I were his sister or his mother, or anything, wouldn't I stir him up, though! I have no patience with people who hide their lights under a bushel."

Once, when they had been discussing the marriage of a couple of their acquaintances (for one of Claymer's odd (?) traits was that he took great interest in little gossip, and speculation concerning the affairs of people in general), Claymer said:

"Well, I think Parker did very wrong to ask Miss Webster to share his lot, which said lot is a myth, and all she will be called upon to share will be a stuffy room in a second-class boarding house; she leaves a comfortable, pleasant home, where everything is as she likes it, and expects to find greater happiness in a ten-by-fifteen room which overlooks a poultry yard. I should never ask a woman to share my 'lot' unless it was every bit as good as the one she left."

"Young men shouldn't expect to begin where the old ones left off. When ma and pa joined their fortunes, their sole possessions were a log cabin with a dirt floor, and a twenty-dollar gold piece. Pa owned the mansion, and ma brought him the princely dower. When I hear them talk over those 'good old times,' I feel sorry for commonplace, well-to-do persons who get married and prose through life without any real trouble or pleasure either."

"You may be right, but that is not my idea of 'fun.' I think a poor man is a selfish brute when he wants a partner in poverty. Of course it was different when your father was married; it was rather the fashion to be poor in those times, and people didn't mind it much."

"Poverty will never go out of fashion," laughed Marian, "unless Bellamy's plans are adopted."

"Miss Marian," said Claymer, solemnly, after several minutes of thought, "let me ask you a question in 'rithmetic. What would be a fair exchange for a girl who is worth her weight in gold, and five hundred thousand dollars in actual cash?"

"A United States senator with a sixty-three ounce brain," promptly, replied she, with a twinkle in her eye.

Claymer's countenance dropped several degrees below zero, and he answered, quietly: "Correct; go up head."

After that conversation Ben Claymer had another stay at home spell, and Marian saw him no more for three months. This was the longest spell he had ever had. She was on the eve of her departure for a European tour, and she was thinking: "How I hate to leave without bidding friend Benjamin goodby," when she heard the click of the gate latch and turned to see the tall, slightly stooping form of Claymer coming up the gravel walk.

"You're just in time, Sir Truant," she called to him from the balcony.

"Yes," said he, "I have just heard of your intended tour. How I envy you! A European tour is the next thing to a trip to the 'promised land' in my list. How can you leave us all so long; and, by the way, how long shall you stay?" His tone was light and cheery. Marian would not own to herself that she was disappointed to see him in such apparent good spirits, but she was. "We intend to be gone three years. Ours will not be a flying trip; we will take our time and learn a great deal, I have no doubt."

Claymer betrayed even now none of the dismay which he felt, but ran his long, slender fingers lazily through his wavy, black hair, and said: "Well, you will be situated so that you can write very readable letters, and if you will do me the kindness to spend your idle moments in transmitting your impressions, stray pieces of information, and so forth, to paper, and forwarding the same to me, I shall be greatly indebted to you. Will you?"

"If you will promise not to publish my epistles in the Daily American," laughed Marian.

"Agreed," said he. They talked for an hour or more, and at last the darkening shadows warned Claymer that it was about time he was sitting at the head of Mrs. Bobb's supper table, and he made his first effort to go. The first effort was never his last. Finally, he said: "I'm going now, really. Goodby. Don't marry an English lord, or Count Macaroni, or anything of that kind, for goodness' sake."

"I won't," said she. "I don't want any imported husband; tariff's too high. I'll come back and throw myself away on an American senator."

Claymer laughed, held out his hand and said: "Good-by; God bless you."

"DEAR MISS MARIAN: Yours, dated May 16, Milan, received this morning. Glad to hear that you approved of the cathedral; if you hadn't, poor Campioni would have turned over in his grave, or crypt, or wherever his distinguished remains may lie. I've no doubt the cathedral is 'real nice.' But you should see Jim Slocum's new dry-goods store, which has been erected since you left. It has a beautiful cornice, and just two panes of glass to each window. Hayling is still on a boom, and business lively. I saw eleven wagons all in town at once, yesterday, and it wasn't Saturday either."

"DEAR MISS MARIAN: All lovely at Hayling. Two new subscribers to the Daily American. Your description of Venetian life is very entertaining; I'd like to publish it but I remember my promise. I guess St. Marks isn't much, nor the Bridge of Sighs either; at least they wouldn't appear so to anyone who has seen Jim Slocum's store, with the magnificent cornices and the *rose-reds* window-panes. John Glies has bought a horse and buggy, and you ought to see the style Mrs. Glies tries to put on; but the horse isn't built for style, and it's no go. You seem to receive your due share of attention from the Macaronis; don't forget the American senator, fair and gracious lady. He is, no doubt, anxiously awaiting your return. You say you may be here by December. That's right! We will have some good times in Hayling, Christmas."

"DEAR MISS MARIAN: I think if I were in London, I should write a better letter than the one I got from you this a. m. But then, I would not be a pet of society, and would have more time to wield the pen, perhaps. You are evidently very happy now, and I'm actually glad of it. You mention various lords and ladies and persons of high degree. Have you seen any 'Little Nells,' or 'Micawbers,' or 'Sam Wellers?' You said if you were over in the land of Dickens you would look out for some of those interesting characters. I think most of your time and attention is given to the Pelhams, Godalphins, etc. I'm real glad you're to be home soon. Don't stop long in Washington on your way home, for I want you to see Jim Slocum's place before the dainty freshness is worn off that heavenly cornice and window."

Washington society welcomed with open arms the beautiful, talented and wealthy Miss Harper. She and her parents are such favorites with the senators and their wives that their stay is prolonged.

"Though I don't see any senator here for me, ma," laughs Marian. "Every one is married, and has a large and interesting family."

"Well, dearie," says ma, with a smile, "you are sorry now that you didn't consent to become Lady Goforgold, aren't you?"

"Not much; I'd much rather marry the poorest fellow in America."

"Ben Claymer, for instance," hints ma. Marian faintly flushes and says, laughingly: "It is a pity that he is not so susceptible as those 'foreigners.'"

A magnificent reception is at its height. Marian Harper stands, clad in filmy white, the center of an admiring circle.

"Ah," says one, "there is the new senator from Texas, your state, Miss Harper, and you should be proud of him. He is the youngest senator in Congress and has made quite a reputation since he came in. A remarkable young man!"

As Marian turns to look at the object of these remarks, her eyes meet the gaze of the large, gray, dreamy orbs, which are the peculiar property of one Ben Claymer of Hayling, Texas, and he immediately makes his way to her.

"Mr Claymer! What a genuine surprise!" says she. "What are you doing in Washington, and especially what are you here for?"

"I'm in Washington because the dear people sent me here, and I am at this reception because I heard that I should be likely to meet a fellow-citizen here," he answers, concisely, but with a bright sparkle in his dreamy eyes. They exchange commonplaces until Ben, by some dexterous sleight-of-hand performance, causes the admirers of Marian to vanish and leave him alone in the field. He proposes a stroll through the conservatory, and as they are at last free from the gaze of all eyes, Claymer turned and clasped her hands tightly in both of his.

"Marian, no words can tell you how glad I am to see you. Are you true to your American senator?"

"I am proud of your distinction," said she, in frightened evasion. "I was expecting to find you grinding out fine editorials for the Daily American. Why didn't you write to me about this?"

"Never mind; I'll tell you all about it some other time. What I want to know now is if the girl who is worth her weight in gold is willing to exchange herself for an American senator, as she once said she would. Marian, nothing but the hope of one day finding myself in such a position that to proffer you my love would not be an unworthy and foolish act, nothing but this has brought me here. You were my incentive, and without you I care for nothing. I have loved you always. Will you be my own little Mrs. Senator? Aye or no, darling?"

"The ayes have it," said Marian, softly.—Modoc, in Housekeeper.

SUMMER TOURISTS.

A TRAMP in Indianapolis stole a bar of soap, and the victim was so overcome when he discovered his loss that he followed up the thief and gave him a quartet.

A TRAMP stole a razor and opened up a shop in a box car near the fire-brick works at Mexico, Mo. He shaved twenty-five men in half a day, pocketed two dollars and fifty cents and again took to the road.

DIDN'T Apply to Him.—First Tramp—"Why did you throw away that newspaper so spitefully, Bill?" Second Tramp—"Because I just come across an article on diet headed 'We eat too much.'"—Boston Herald.

NEAR Akron, O., a tramp got into a field where a fierce bull was grazing. The race was eighty rods, and at the end of it the tramp made a flying leap over a fence eight feet high and didn't think he was doing anything wonderful."

AN Illinois Central conductor says that female tramps are on the increase. They are not as daring as the men in jumping on or off trains, but they are found hanging all over a freight car, on the trucks or clinging to the truss rods by hands and feet, and, in fact, in a good many dangerous places that a male tramp would never think of getting in.

RULERS OF KINGDOMS.

EMPEROR WILHELM usually travels with an iron bound trunk filled with decorations, which he bestows on those who please him.

THE empress of Russia has recently sent a sum of money to the wife of a poor workingman on the island of Fohnen Denmark, who had herself written to the empress and told her of their poverty.

ALEXANDER, the boy king of Servia, is a sturdy lad of fourteen, with keen eyes and an intelligent face, but he is self-willed and stubborn as any royal child. He has been well educated and speaks German, French and English, in addition to his native tongue.

The German empress has a thoughtful if imperial husband. On his (then) wish four or two messengers arrived daily at the court bringing parcels of confectionery and wonderful floral pieces which had figured in the splendid banquets given in his honor.

ONE of the delusions of the crazy king of Bavaria is that the carpets of his apartments are of thin glass and must not be trodden upon. Another of his hallucinations is that the walls of the rooms are hung with newspapers, and from them he reads aloud to his attendants imaginary stories of the events of the day.

THE PROPER SALUTE.

CONSULS GENERAL accredited to the United States are received with a salute of nine guns.

MINISTERS resident, accredited to the United States, are greeted with a salute of thirteen guns.

A LIEUTENANT GENERAL or vice admiral of the United States receives a salute of fifteen guns.

THE general in chief, field marshal or admiral of the United States receives a salute of seventeen guns.

THE viceroy, governor general or governors of provinces belonging to foreign states receive a salute of seventeen guns.

THE president of the United States receives a salute, to be given both on his arrival at and his final departure from a military post or station provided with artillery, of twenty-one guns.

THE national salute is one gun for each state in the union, and is fired at noon on the anniversary of the independence of the United States at each military post or camp provided with artillery. The national color must always be displayed at the time of firing salutes.

CONCERNING LARGE CITIES.

In the great animal market at Hamburg, in Germany, giraffes sell at $7,000 a pair, chimpanzees go at $500 apiece and select lots of Sumatra monkeys at $1,000.

According to the latest municipal reports there are in St. Petersburg one hundred and fifty three streets and squares without pavement, sewers or gaslights. They are the breeding spots of disease and crime in the great metropolis.

THE street railways of Paris are under the government control and the rules for their guidance are very strict. Only four passengers are allowed to stand on the back platform, and they must pay the same fare as the first class passengers inside, viz., six cents, while those on the roof of the car ride at half rates.

THE census of London shows a population of 4,231,056—an increase in the last ten years of 395,485. In 1801 the population was 958,863. The increase during the last twenty years has been greatest in the suburban districts, the rate there being calculated at 126.8 per cent., while that of London proper has been only 26 per cent.

FACTS ABOUT THE MOON.

Some Popular Superstitions Done Away With.

An Interesting Lecture on the Actions and Appearance of the Lunar Body—Its Influence on the Earth.

Prof. C. A. Young lately gave an interesting lecture on the moon in the astronomical course which is being conducted under the auspices of the university extension at Cooper Union.

The moon, in the first place, has nothing whatever to do, the lecturer said, with the changes in our weather. He had known some farmers in the west who would never plant a "root crop" except on the wane of the moon, while a growing-up crop, like wheat or other grain, he would always insist on planting when the moon was waxing. These notions, as well as those held by some sea captains, that the wind would blow for a week from the quarter in which the change of the moon took place, were, he declared, without the slightest foundation.

The moon was an insignificant body in itself. It was her proximity to the earth that gave her astronomical importance. At the same time her position was unique among satellites. She was by far the largest in proportion to her planet of twenty or more satellites in the solar system, being one-eightieth the weight of the earth, while no other satellite exceeded one one-thousandth of the weight of its planet.

In the peculiar motions taken by the moon there were certain elements which, the professor said, the law of gravitation might not fully account for. Astronomy would one day reach the limit of an accurate provision and would reach the field where such elements of uncertainty would creep in as the effects of the human will. Speaking with exactitude, for instance, a man could not build a tall building on the surface of the earth without lengthening the day by the change in the position of matter involved. Such changes as this when accumulated through long periods must produce effects that would make the astronomical problem a very different one—in fact, an incomputable one—some day.

The fact that the moon sends had been measured, he said, and found to be 1-150,000 of that sent by the sun, while the light was 1-600,000 of the sun light. The "earth shine," if we could observe it from the surface of the moon, was fourteen times as brilliant as that we now see from the moon, and from a surface that was about four times as much as the full moon exposed to us. The brilliant light was reflected back from the moon to us mightily, rendering it visible that part of the moon in the shade at the time of the new moon.

The moon, said the professor, had no atmosphere to speak of. Its surface as shown by the slides was a mass of circular volcanic craters of peculiar formation, rent by mysterious fissures which started from the crater of [illegible] like the streaks on the skin of an apple. These fissures were about half a mile in width and extended into the body of the moon nobody knows how far. They cut through craters and mountain chains in straight lines and their explanation was not yet. Some had attributed them to the congelation of the central mass like water frozen in a glass globe. Bits of the mountain scenery of the moon were thrown on the curtain and seemed very unattractive, though evidently grand in their very ugliness.

OSTENTATION AT FUNERALS.

Customs That Seem to Be Opposed to the Teachings of Christianity.

It is a sad commentary on a Christian community, which takes that distinctive title from a religion whose founder is called the Consoler, because his word plucks the sting from death, that it surrounds death with every circumstance of woe and gloom, writes George William Curtis, in Harper's Magazine. The distinctive ministry of the faith seems to fall at the very point to which it is especially addressed. The natural Christian tone at the burial of the dead would seem to be the cheer that springs from the thought of immortality—a sublime hope, a tender resignation. The Christian thought in that hour should instinctively dwell upon the soul, and not upon the body, and the simplest and most unostentatious rite of burial would seem to be the most truly Christian. But the ostentation of Christian funerals has become so great that burial reform associations are formed, both in this country and in England, to relieve the poor of the painful and needless cost which, from mistaken respect for the dead, they will not spare so long as ostentation is the custom.

The Czar's Nurse.

An old lady died in Russia late last winter untitled and unknown, but the czar of all the Russias followed her remains on foot through the snow, in the teeth of an icy wind, to the cemetery and brushed tears out of his imperial eyes when the frozen earth fell on the hothouse blossoms which covered her plain coffin. She was the old English nurse who took care of the emperor and his brother when they were children, and the royal family of Russia has ever manifested a most kindly regard for the servants of their household.

LAST OF THE LAFAYETTES.

Extinction of a Line of Statesmen and Heroes.

According to a Paris correspondent of the London News, the family of De Lafayette is extinct. Its last male member, M. Edmond de Lafayette, grandson of the great general, died the other morning at the age of seventy-two. He entered public life in 1848 as a member of the constituante, was returned to the Bordeaux assembly, with his late brother, Oscar de Lafayette, and sat among the republican friends of M. Thiers. He was stanch in his republicanism and a man of sweet and kindly nature, in manners a high-toned gentleman. He rarely swerved from what he thought the right course, and was wholly free from self-righteousness. He had a pleasant vein of humor, and was only kept from being satirical by his extreme good nature. He had numerous pensioners, who, he thought, had claims on his family. Though rich and a bachelor, he said he could not afford to pay a heavy rent and lived in a small flat in the Rue Constantinople. I last saw him at a soiree given by the governor of the bank of France. He told me that he had received one of death's warnings, one side of each lip being paralyzed. Still he managed to converse freely. He was very proud of the bank of France, of which he was a shareholder, lending four and a half millions to the bank of England. Somebody twitted him on having remained a bachelor, and [illegible] was a pity there was no other Lafayette to succeed him. He replied: "The family is all but dead, but what does it matter? Our name will be forever associated with the greatest republic and most powerful nation the world has ever seen—America."

SINGULAR INDEED.

ITHACA, Mich., has a one-pound baby.

A FAMILY at Norristown, Pa., keeps forty-seven cats.

A DEAF and dumb book agent is the latest novelty in New York.

FROM Oregon comes the queer story that "a five-year old child at Eugene grows faster on one side than on the other without any apparent cause." Physicians there are reported to be highly interested in the case.

A FARMER near Yuba City, Cal., complains that eighty tons of hay that he had cut was drenched by a heavy rain, while on the opposite side of his farm there was a large field of grain that needed rain but did not get a drop.

A JEWELER at Pleasanton, Cal., has a live tarantula in a glass jar, where he has kept it for more than a year without food. About two inches of dirt is all there is in the jar, and how the creature lives is a mystery. He seems as frisky as ever.

An Electrical Bouncer.

It is stated that the engineer at the electric light works, Nashua, N. H., having been troubled considerably by men and boys walking into the dynamo room and tracking quantities of mud, hit upon an ingenious device to put a stop to the nuisance. A chain had been placed across the doorway, but this was easily removed by the intruders, so that it was of no use in keeping them out. The engineer procured a wire mat, placed it in front of the door, and connected it to the pole of the dynamo with a wire. The chain was connected to the other pole of the generator by another wire, both wires being arranged with the circuit open, but in such a way that it could be closed at will by the engineer. The operation of the device was that when the visitor came to the door, stood on the mat, and took hold of the chain the engineer quietly switched on the current, and the party seeking entrance was immediately paralyzed, and was glad enough to make off when the current that held him was turned off. A repetition of this experiment upon the loafers of the vicinity resulted in their keeping clear of the place.

Thieves of Time.

A citizen of New Jersey purchased, not long ago, as every man of family should, a respectable, sedate and well-attuned striking clock. The tenants on the floor above, being blessed with keen ears, were able to hear the tones of the faithful timepiece below, and stole the time from their neighbor. Hearing of this the man who purchased the clock waxed wroth and to balance accounts with the thieves of time put back his timepiece half an hour. Through this deception the upper floor tenants were soon involved in annoying and expensive blunders, which eventually cost them more than the price of a clock. Thirsting for revenge they sued the purchaser of the clock for the value of the lost time.

A Woman Miner.

Jefferson county, Mont., has a curiosity in the shape of a mine not only owned but operated by a woman. The mine is situated on Willow creek, and the fortunate proprietress is Mrs. Robinson. Although she is seventy-three years of age she has done all the work in developing the property herself, carrying out the ore and waste upon her back. This she has been able to do from the fact that the shaft is on the mountain incline and comparatively easy of ascent. She has been doing this daily for two years and appears to have lost none of the faith with which she started. If any assay has ever been made of the ore taken out it remains a secret with the owner; but the entire world is very willing to believe from her evident faith that she has a bonanza.

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TARIFF PICTURES.

"If we do not buy, we cannot sell; if you pass the McKinley bill you will kill our export trade." Thus cried the free traders; and yet the export of cotton goods from New York for the first seven months of the year, which were $4,577 559 in 1890, arose to $7,327,349 in 1891.

Masons, millwrights and bricklayers in Wales, where they make the tin plate we have been importing, make $1 44 per day. In Western Pennsylvania, where they are already making some of the tin plate that we do not import the masons and bricklayers earn $3 00 per day. And they get it.

The Chilian Insurgents have captured Valparaiso, and the Balmacedan power is ended. General Basquedano has been recognized as President until a President is legally elected. The Government troops at Conception, Talcahuano and other places have notified the Congressionalists that they have finished fighting, and ready to obey orders from the Junta. Orders will be restored and as soon as an election of President and other officials can be effected, restored throughout the country. Balmaceda is thought to have fled overland to Buenos Ayres, with his family and valuables.

It is reported that Balmaceda, while attempting to cross the mountains to the Atlantic coast, had trouble with his escort and was shot to death.

On Monday afternoon a portion of the local train from Sacramento to San Francisco went off the trestle between Davisville and Sacramento. The engine kept the trestle, but the mail and express car and the Pull man parlor car went off, and were wrecked Moses E. Quimby, of San Francisco, mail agent, was killed, and a number of others were more or less injured. The accident was caused by the warping of a rail by the intense heat. No blame can be attached to the railroad company, as many more serious accidents have occurred in the Eastern States from the same cause. Railroad accidents will occur on the best regulated roads, but the Southern Pacific has been uncommonly fortunate in having no such terrible accidents as are daily occurring on the Eastern roads, which are not managed by Californians.

GOOD RUNNING.—On Sunday the 25th, says the Dayton, Nev., Times, Miss Mamie Saul, of Sutro, made a bet that she could run from the latter place to Dayton inside of 30 minutes. She made the distance, 3 miles, in 23 minutes and 37 seconds, and won $50. She is sweet 16 and weighs 140.

E. P. Lovejoy, an old resident of Lyon county, Nev., died at Wabuska on Wednesday of last week, aged 55. Mr. Lovejoy was one of the first editors of the Territy County Journal, and at one time kept the American Exchange Hotel in Virginia City, Nev.

John A. Laufkotter, a pioneer, and a pioneer citizen of Sacramento, died in that city on Saturday last aged 80. He was a chum of General John A. Sutter. He was a German, and came to the United States in 1834.

Judge Catlin, of Sacramento, has decided that the liquor license ordinances of that city are constitutional, and in consequence thereof a large number of corner groceries have closed their bars.

Monday next, the 7th, will be Labor Day and it will be observed in San Francisco and Sacramento, where there will be a procession of the various Labor Unions

Ex-Senator John J. Bradley of New York, and one of the famous Tweed ring politicians, is dead.

Burglars are having a picnic in Sacramento. There are several robberies every night.

The Mediterranean is infested by pirates and vessels have been ordered to carry guns and small arms.

Mrs. Letitia Beedle, a Pioneer woman of Yolo County, died at Woodland on August 27, aged 102.

Fresno County has a lawsuit on hand to test the constitutionality of the new County Government Act.

It is expected the Southern Press Association will meet in Fresno in January next

W. W. Wheeler, a Pioneer, died at Auburn on August 28th, aged 74.

Storms have done great damage to crops in England.

The Ista will probably be delivered up without any more trouble.

THE PINE NUT MINES.

It is about as difficult to get at the truth about the Pine Nut mines, near Carson, Nev., as it has been to get facts about the trouble in Chili. The Genoa (Nev.) Courier says that Hon. James W Haines and others recently visited the much-talked of Zirn mine, and they reported it fabulously rich, and one of the richest finds of the century; but along comes Governor Colcord and advises the good people of his State, and the rest of mankind, not to take too much stock in what they hear and read about the mines in that district; that Mr. Haines, although honest in his opinions, is not a miner, and is not capable of judging of the value of a mine. The Governor says very plainly that there has been considerable lying about those mines, and that the Zirn is not as rich as represented. Mr. Haines saw gold staring him in the face at every turn, and his testimony is corroborated by others, and Mr. Haines, who is a Nevada World's Fair Commissioner, has taken some rich specimens to Chicago, to show what his much-abused State can turn out in the mineral line. We have known Mr. Haines a large number of years—long before he knew Nevada, and we know he has handled considerable gold in that time, and we have never heard of his being so near-sighted that he couldn't tell gold when he saw it; and we have had the pleasure of knowing Governor Colcord some thirteen years, and known him to be as square a man as our old friend Haines is, and a good mining man, and knowing these two prominent Nevadans so well, this Pine Nut-Zirn controversy rather staggers us. Both cannot be right—but which one is mistaken? The shipment of bullion from the Zirn mine, and the District generally, will alone decide. The weekly shipment of bullion will be the best advertisement that District can get.

IT WON'T PAY.—Postmaster General Wanamaker has sent a personally signed letter to the postmaster at each county seat throughout the United States asking him for the public good, at his own expense, to make a personal visit to each postoffice in his county and make a detailed report on their condition, needs of the service, etc. County seat fourth-class postmasters whose salaries amount to $300, more or less, would have a lucrative job to visit the various postoffices in their counties at their own expense. Fancy Postmaster Bryant of Bridgeport taking a 3-days trip to Benton, staying a couple of days to examine that postoffice, and then take another 3 days to get back home. It would take him at least a month to examine the different offices in this county. What a fine business it would be for the Postmaster at Sacramento to examine the offices in that large county. It would make quite a hole in his salary. And who is to examine the offices of the thousands of county seat postoffices? We should think the Postoffice Department can afford to appoint special agents for such work. Individuals have to pay for such work, and why should the Government ask individuals to work for nothing?

The New York Herald displays its appreciative sense of California, complimenting it as "that wonderful young sprig of nobility, which has made the Pacific slope redolent with its inexpressible crops, and from which one of the most attractive exhibits of the World's Fair will undoubtedly be made." It is high time that our more mature States should awake fully to the realization that their younger sister of the Pacific is one of which they may well be proud. A treasure house of rich and rare metals, a producer of incomparable fruits and cereals, grown in a land of Italian skies and climate. The wonder is that so many of our American people take the trouble to cross the Atlantic to witness lesser charms than they can find in their own America by simply crossing the continent.—Grocer and Country Merchant.

And there are scores of Californians who yearly go to Europe to see "the sights" who know nothing, or very little, of the natural grandeur of their own State.

"Self-doomed," by B. L. Farjeon, author of "Blade o' Grass," "Bread-and-Cheese and Kisses," and other popular novels, is published in this country as a literary supplement to the Argonaut of September 7th. The Argonaut issues one of these novel supplements with the first issue of each month, making no extra charge for them, and, as they comprise only the best and newest English novels, they are a decidedly popular feature of that bright weekly.

The semi-annual meeting of the California Press Association has been postponed until October 5th, 6th and 7th. The National Irrigation Convention will assemble at Salt Lake on September 15th, and as it will be attended by W. H. Mills, Will S. Green, of the Colusa Sun and other prominent members of the Association, the postponement was made so that those gentlemen could attend.

ADMISSION DAY.—Wednesday next will be Admission Day, and a legal holiday. The Day will be appropriately celebrated by the Native Sons throughout the State, the principal celebration to take place at Santa Cruz.

If we felt as the editor of the Truckee Republican does in regard to an association he joined about a year ago, we would resign from it,

The business portion of Winnemucca, Nev., has been destroyed by fire.

The California Colored Colonization Company proposes to bring 5,000 negroes to this State, and have seven sections of land in Fresno county, and also some land in Shasta county, where they will be located. If Fresno has an influx of a few thousand negroes, in due time the "Tennessee" contingent we read of in the Fresno Republican will take a walk out of the Court House.

Miss Mary Lincoln, daughter of Minister Lincoln, and Charles B Graham, of Chicago, were married in London on Wednesday.

Notwithstanding the close season, the seal poachers are doing a big business catching seals in the Bering Sea.

Wednesday was the 20th anniversary of the battle of Sedan, and all Germany celebrated it.

LEGAL.

Teachers' Examination.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, Bridgeport, Mono County, Cal., August 27, 1891.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE County Board of Education of Mono County will be held on

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1891,

at Bridgeport.

Applicants for Teachers' Certificates or Diplomas will please file their intentions with the School Superintendent, and Secretary of the Board.

The following are the studies required for a Primary Grade Certificate:

Arithmetic,
Grammar,
Geography,
Composition,
United States History,
Orthography,
Defining,
Penmanship,
Reading,
Methods of Teaching,
School Law,
Industrial Drawing,
Physiology,
Entomology,
Civil Government,
Elementary Bookkeeping,
Vocal Music.

The additional branches required for Grammar Grade Certificates are as follows:

Philosophy,
Algebra.

CORNELIA RICHARDS.
Superintendent of Schools.

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Assessment Notice.

PENNSYLVANIA GOLD AND SILVER MINING Company.

Location of principal place of business, Silver Mountain, Alpine County, California.

Location of Works, Silver Mountain Mining District, Alpine County, California.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of Directors, held on the 22d day of August, 1891, an assessment of One Dollar ($1) per share was levied upon the assessable capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately, in United States Gold Coin, to the Secretary at the office of the company, in Silver Mountain, Alpine County, California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 28th day of September, 1891 will be delinquent, and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on Monday, the 26th day of October, 1891, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOSEPH LARSON, Secretary.

OFFICE—Silver Mountain, Alpine County, California. au29 td

PROBATE NOTICE

REPORT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR.

TO THE HON. W. H. VIRDEN, JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY OF MONO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA:

D. M. Walters, Public Administrator of said County, respectfully makes this return of all Estates of Decedents which have come into his hands for the Term commencing January 1st, 1891, and ending June 30th, 1891. Also reports the conditions of Estates unsettled at said term

LETTERS GRANTED.

William Robson, Letters Issued, January 31st, 1891.
Jacob Weaver, Letters Issued, January 31 1891.
J. K. Denison, Letters Issued, July 25th, 1890.

APPRAISED VALUE OF ESTATE.

William Robson	$ 880 00
Jacob Weaver,	1175 00
J. K. Denison	100 00

MONEY COME INTO THE HANDS OF THE ADMINISTRATOR,

Jacob Weaver.	$ 31 00

DEPOSITED IN COUNTY TREASURY BY ADMINISTRATOR.

None.

MONEY DEPOSITED IN BANK BY DECEDENT AND DRAWN BY ADMINISTRATOR.

None.

PROPERTY, EXCLUSIVE OF MONEY, IN HANDS OF ADMINISTRATOR.

William Robson	$ 880 00
Jacob Weaver.	1144 0
J. K. Denison,	100 00

All the property of the above named Decedents now in the hands of the Administrator is Real property.

The only money which has come into the hands of the Administrator from any of the above Estates is the sum of $31 00 from the Estate of Jacob Weaver, which sum has been paid for the purpose of defraying some of the expenses of Administration.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, } ss
COUNTY OF MONO. }

D. M. Walters, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is the Public Administrator of the County of Mono; that the above is a full, true and correct statement of the present condition of all the Estates of the Decedents which have come into his hands during the term commencing January 1st, 1891, and ending June 30th, 1891.

D. M. WALTERS,
Public Administrator.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of August, 1891.

J. D. MURPHEY,
Clerk.

Indorsed:

Report of Public Administrator for term ending June 30th, 1891.
Filed August 14th, 1891.
au15-6w J. D. Murphey, Clerk.

PROBATE NOTICE.

Order to Show Cause Why Order of Sale of Real Estate Should Not be Made.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT, OF THE COUNTY of Mono, State of California.

In the Matter of the Estate of WILLIAM ROBSON, Deceased.

D. M. Walters, the Administrator of the Estate of William Robson, deceased, having filed his verified Petition herein, praying for an Order of Sale of the whole of the Real Estate of said decedent, and all of the personal property thereof for the purposes and reasons therein set forth,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Court, that all persons interested in the Estate of said deceased, be and appear before the Superior Court of said Mono County, on the

7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1891,

at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court Room of said Superior Court, at the Court House of said County of Mono, at Bridgeport, then and there to show cause why an Order should not be granted to the said D. M. Walters, Administrator of said Estate, to sell all of the Personal Property and Real Estate of said deceased.

And that a copy of this order be published at least four successive weeks in the BRIDGEPORT CHRONICLE-UNION, a newspaper printed and published in said County.

N. D. ARNOT,
Judge of the Superior Court,
Presiding.

Dated August 4th, 1891.

Indorsed:

In the Superior Court of the County of Mono, State of California.

In the matter of the Estate of William Robson, Deceased.

Order to Show Cause Why Order of Sale of Real Estate Should not be made.

Filed Aug. 4th, 1891. J. D Murphey, Clerk.

Recorded Vol. 2, Probate Min., page 284, on August 4th, 1891. J. D. Murphey, Clerk. au8-td

CHAS. L. HAYES, Attorney.

Order to how Cause Why Order of Sale of Real Estate Should Not Be Made.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY of Mono, State of California.

In the Matter of the Estate of JACOB WEAVER, Deceased.

D. M. Waters, the Administrator of the Estate of Jacob Weaver, Deceased, having filed his verified Petition herein, praying for an Order of Sale of the whole of the Real Estate of said decedent, and all of the Personal property thereof, for the purposes and reasons therein set forth,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Court, that all persons interested in the Estate of said Deceased, be and appear before the Superior Court of said Mono County, on the

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N. D. ARNOT,
Judge of the Superior Court,
Presiding.

Dated August 4th, 1891.

Indorsed.

In the Superior Court of the County of Mono, State of California.

In the matter of the Estate of Jacob Weaver, Deceased.

Order to Show Cause Why Order of Sale of Real Estate Should not be Made.

Filed Aug. 4th, 1891. J. D. Murphey, Clerk.

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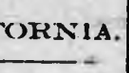

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BRIDGEPORT, SEPTEMBER 5, 1891.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Personal.

James Edmiston and wife, accompanied by Mrs. Lee Edmiston and child, arrived from Sonora on Saturday evening last, on a visit to their daughter, Mrs. David Hays.

Mrs. Dan. Simpson and family, and Miss Lottie Pierce, of Smith Valley, left for the Valley on Sunday morning last. While here they were the guests of the Sinnamons and Mrs. Judge Virden

Thos. F. Fitzpatrick came up from Smith Valley on Monday, returning on Wednesday.

Rev. T. Lloyd Bradley and bride arrived from Oklahoma City, I. T., on Tuesday, and on Wednesday went to Bodie, their future home.

J. C. White, assayer at the Bodie Con. mine, and wife and son, are camping at Buckeye Springs.

Mrs. M. Y. Stewart, of Oakland, is visiting her sister at Candelaria, Nev., and is expected here shortly to visit her husband's relatives.

H. P. Wilson, of Mono Lake, has gone to the Pine Nut mines, and may continue on to Santa Barbara to attend a convention of spiritualists.

Carrol McTarnahan and wife, and Hart McTarnahan, arrived from Sonora on Tuesday.

Mrs. A. P. Allen is expected home this evening from a visit to Iowa.

W. O. Parker and wife will return from Topaz this evening on Gelatt's stage.

A. S. and A. P. Kilpatrick and James H. Patterson were in from Cameron on Thursday.

Ex-County Clerk O. H. Kister has purchased a band of sheep at Salt Lake, Utah, and will work them towards Bridgeport this Fall.

Ex-Supervisor George H. Bump, of Bodie, is rusticating at Fales' Hot Springs.

Alfred V. Morgan, of the Bodie Miner, came over last evening to see his Bridgeport friends

S. A. Hopkins returned from Lundy last evening with A. F. Bryant.

Miss Ella Ward, of Bodie, visited Bridgeport this week.

Sheriff Cody is expected home on Tuesday next from the East.

TOO MUCH PARK.—The recent passage by Congress of an Act which takes in all creation hereabouts and thereabouts for a National Park in the Yosemite section of this State has been the source of much trouble and vexation of spirit to those who acquired landed and mining interests prior to the passage of the Act. It set apart for a National Park thousands of acres where a tourist will never tread, nor gaze upon, unless he uses a strong field-glass—in fact, tourists will never visit one-quarter the area that has been set apart for this grand National Park. A move is on foot to cut off a good portion of this so-called Park and throw it open again to prospectors. Many citizens of Mono county have mining claims within its borders, but under the law they have no right to prospect them. The matter, we understand, has been brought to the attention of Senator Stewart, of Nevada, by State Senator Gonsher. As this Park is wholly in California, and its reduction to proper proportions is asked for by Californians, Senator Goucher would have shown better taste had he consulted our own Senators, or Congressman Bowers, who represents the District in which the Park is located. If the people of Fresno should apply to that Republican war-horse, State Senator Carpenter, of Los Angeles, to inaugurate legislation for Fresno county, Mr. Goucher would be as mad as a wet hen, and justly so. The dimensions of the Park should be reduced, or miners should be allowed to work within its boundaries. As thousands of tourists never saw a mining "plant," would it not be a great attraction to Yosemite visitors to have a good mine and mill in operation in a good location in the Park?

OUR SCHOOLS—The Bridgeport School will open for the term on next Monday week, with H. Clay Hampton as teacher.

The Antelope school will open at the same time in charge of one of its former teachers, Miss Lizzie Armstrong.

The North Antelope school will be under the tuition of Miss Etta Mack, one of Antelope's own.

So far as we know, Mono county is this year blessed with a corps of excellent teachers.

GROWING WORSE.—Robert Biggs, who is in the county jail awaiting examination for insanity, is daily growing worse, and it is to be regretted that circumstances are such that he cannot be at once sent to the Asylum for treatment. He is very violent at times, and has torn down the stove in the jail and destroyed his bedstead.

TO MONO.—The Lakeport Avalanche, of August 27, says that Miss Stinson would leave next morning for Mono County, where she has obtained a good situation as teacher.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. T. Lloyd Bradley will hold services at the School House to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. Subject of discourse: "Short beds and narrow coverlids."

Mono rain coming.

A TUMBLE.—On Wednesday, at Lundy, George Vansickel packed A. F. Bryant's horse "Paddy" with an anvil and provisions to take to the Mocking Bird mine, at which Van is to do assessment work for Mr. Bryant. Before reaching his haven of rest the trail under his feet gave way and the old nag went over and over down the bank some five hundred feet before he rested. Bryant expected he was minus a horse, but Paddy soon emerged from the debris of anvils and provisions, shook his head, and intimated that he wanted to get back to Bridgeport. Van gathered his provender without much loss, and Bryant arrived home last night with a well-used-up horse.

MINING DIRECTORS.—The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania G. & S. M. Co. was held at Silver Mountain, Alpine county, on the 24th of August, when the following were elected Directors: Joseph Larson, Ole Nelson, W. T. Larson, W. M. Thornburg and Charles Dudley. An assessment of $1 a share was levied. The tunnel of the Company is to be cleaned out and put in order with a view of interesting outside capital in its development, or selling it, out and out. There are good prospects in the tunnel, which is in about one thousand feet, and five hundred below the croppings. In the hands of a good company, we believe the Pennsylvania could be made a valuable property, but it will require intelligent mining, as well as capital, to do it.

COYOTE SCALPS.—The State Board of Examiners met on Saturday last and allowed coyote scalp bills to the amount of $28,000. This represents 5600, but the Bee says that many counties have held back their claims awaiting a decision of the Board and now they will be sent in to Controller Colgan. As Winter is the best time to shoot coyotes, the different Boards of Supervisors will have big bills to allow at their next January meeting.

NEW SECRETARY.—H. D. Walker has been elected Secretary of the Bodie Con. and Mono Companies, vice B. L. Burling, deceased. M. E. Willis is Assistant.

RANCH SOLD.—The well known Lee ranch in Smith Valley has been sold to W H. Aseby, of Beatrice, Neb., who will stock it with thoroughbred horses.

WE had a heavy thunder storm about midnight last night, and had a light rain this morning. It has made a decided coolness, for a short time.

NOTARY PUBLIC.—The Governor has appointed Charles L. Hayes, of Bridgeport, a Notary Public for Mono county.

CLINTON SCHOOL.—The Clinton school was opened for the term on Monday last. Miss Annie Dolan, of Bodie, teacher.

ANNUAL MEETING.— The annual meeting of the Mono Mining Co. will be held 17th inst

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TRY IT! TRY WHAT?—The "Condell's 'Big Can' Baking Powder," warranted 1½ lb. full weight and perfectly pure. Those who have used it commend it. To be had at the store of Joe A. Brown.

Macomber's XXX Vinegar, 75 cents a gallon, at Bryant's Store.

A Special line of Fancy Groceries just received by D. Hays & Bro.

MONO LAKE SCHOOL BENEFIT.

The following are the receipts, and expenditures made by us on account of the School House Ball:

Cash received from tickets sold by

Stewart & Taylor	$24 00
J. H. Evans	18 0
A. L. Butterfield	15 00
N. W. Boyd	15 00
A. Maestretti	9 00
John Becker	6 00
J. H Surgeon	6 00
Trustees and door	60 0
	$153 00

Cash paid

Band	$30 00	
Caller	5 00	
A. V. Morgan, printing 400 tickets	4 00	
Band team	8 00	
J. W. E. Townsend, advertising	10 00	57 00
Leaving a balance of		$102 00

We wish to thank the people of Bodie, Bridgeport and Lundy for their kindness in attending our benefit. We also wish to thank A. V. Morgan, of the Bodie Miner, and Folger Brothers, of the BRIDGEPORT CHRONICLE-UNION, for free notices.

W. P. NEY,
THOS. SYLVESTER,
S. B. BURKHAM,
Trustees of M. L. S.

The Chloride Belt calls upon the people of Candelaria to make a general clean up of dissolute characters in that place, one having been sent to the county jail for fifty days.

A MYSTERY.

How the human system ever recovers from the bad effects of the nauseous medicines often literally poured into it for the suppositive relief of dyspepsia, liver complaint, constipation, rheumatism and other ailments, is a mystery. The mischief done by bad medicine is scarcely less than that caused by disease. If they who are weak, bilious, dyspeptic, constipated, or rheumatic, would oftener be guided by the experience of invalids who have thoroughly tested Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, they would in every instance obtain the speediest aid derivable from rational medication. This medicine is a searching and at the same time a thoroughly safe remedy, derived from vegetable sources, and possessing, in consequence of its basis of pure spirits, properties as a medicinal stimulant not to be found in the fiery local bitters and stimulants often resorted to by the debilitated, dyspeptic and languid.

MARRIAGES

BRADLEY—SHIELDS—At Oklahoma City, I. T., August 20th, Rev. T. Lloyd Bradley, of Bodie, to Miss Libbie Shields, of the former city.

A GOOD WORK.

Harrison McCamly is now taking orders in this county, Alpine county, and Douglas county, Nev., for "Dollars and Sense, or How to Get On," by P. T. Barnum, the world's greatest showman. This work was completed about six months before Mr. Barnum's death, which occured last April. It is a most interesting work, containing, in brief, the rules for success in life which must be followed by every one who desires to achieve either fame or fortune. P. T. Barnum was one of the most popular and successful business men of the country, and well fitted and qualified to point out to others a sure road to an honorable and successful life. Having reached a ripe old age and full of the wisdom of experience, he made this his crowning work and in it will be found much practical advice, counsel and admonition, invaluable alike to the young man just starting in life, and the middle-aged who, discouraged, are almost tempted to give up the struggle—in fact it will be found to be a reliable guide, a safe adviser and a cheerful companion. It contains amusing and laughable reminiscences of his long and eventful life, and, also, sketches of twenty-five other prominent men. It also contains an appendix on "Money, Banks and Banking," which will be of value to all money getters. It is a work of 450 pages, and over 100 original pen and ink sketches. It is a work our people can well afford to subscribe for. Mr. McCamly's Postoffice address is Carson, Nev., Box 444.

Ex-Superior Judge John A. Hannah, of Inyo county, died at Independence on August 27, aged 72. He was one of Inyo's oldest residents, and was County Judge before the new Constitution was adopted, when he was elected Superior Judge and held the office until January last. He was a Mexican War Veteran, having served as a Captain, and the Inyo Index says he was also in the Florida Seminole War.

The President's wife has received an engrossed set of resolutions from the Patriotic Sons of America, of Kentucky, thanking her for her determination to have nothing except of American manufacture placed in the White House while it is being repaired, and during the administration of her husband.

Miss F. D. Sinclair, an attractive 22-year old New York girl has had a beautiful curly silken mustache grafted on her upper lip the hair being taken from the pit of her right arm.

Mrs. Grant and Mrs Garfield are the only living widows of Presidents. May they live to a good old age is the wish of every American.

Perth Amboy, N. J., working people are much excited over an attack by Father Connolly on the Junior American Mechanics whom he denounces as bigots and Know Nothings.

Five more of the old wooden war vessels are to be inspected and condemned—the Omaha, Tallapoosa, Monocacy, Galena and Pensacola. In a few years the historic wooden fleet will be a thing of the past.

A young man, aged 25, stopped at several houses in Milford, Ohio, and, after procuring food at the muzzle of a revolver, left the village and shot himself dead.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes was 82 years old on August 29th.

Barton's livery stable at Gold Hill, Nev., was burned on Monday last.

There have been disastrous field fires in South Dakota.

Haying is about over.

FACTS.

The poet Tennyson can take a worthless sheet of paper, and by writing a poem on it, make it worth $65,000. That's genius.

Vanderbilt can write a few words on a sheet of paper and make it worth $5,000,000. That's capital.

The United States can take an ounce and a quarter of gold and stamp upon it an "Eagle bird" and make it worth $20. That's money.

The merchanic can take materials worth $5 and make it into a watch worth $100. That's skill.

The merchant can take an article worth 75c and sell it for $1. That's business.

A lady can purchase a very comfortable bonnet for $3 75, but she prefers one that costs $27. That's foolishness.

The ditch-digger works ten hours a day and shovels three or four tons of earth for $2. That's labor.

The editor of this paper could write a check for $80,000,000, but it would not be worth a nickle. That's rough.—The Bookkeeper.

If women smoke much nowadays, says the Tribune de Geneve, they can at least plead that the example is set in high circles. The Empress of Austria smokes thirty to forty Turkish cigarettes every day. On her writing table there is a silver box with fine relief work filled with cigarettes and a gold ash tray. The Trazina also yields to the passion for nicotine, but she only smokes in her boudoir, a copy of one of the prettiest rooms in the Alhambra, filled with palm trees. Her anxieties may plead her excuse; but Queen Marguerite of Italy, whose life is freer from care, smokes also, and smokes much, but always in solitude. The Queen Regent of Spain consumes Egyptian cigarettes in large quantities, Queen Natalie of Servia has a wonderful store of cigarettes of every kind; the Queen of Roumania carries a little golden box filled with the same means of delight, while the Comtesse de Paris appreciates only the tobacco of Havana, and her daughter, the Queen of Portugal, gets her cigarettes from Dresden.

It has always been considered impossible to cut wire nails from any material except wire, but it is reported that an ingenious arrangement has been introduced into a mill in Pittsburg which enables wire nails to be made from steel plate. This invention may be attached to the ordinary cut nail machine, and is said to be capable of producing perfectly formed nails in greater quantity than is possible by any present wire nail machine.

Dan. Ferris, of Jersey City, separated from his wife because they could not agree as to who should make the kitchen fire. Ferris was arrested on a charge of abandonment. Justice O'Donnell, before whom he was taken, referred the case to the arbitrament of a man who decided in favor of the wife. Ferris at first refused to abide by the decision, but when Mrs Ferris said, "Oh, come home, Dan, and I'll build the fire," he remarked, "I'll build it myself."

A pathetic plea for a holiday was put forward recently by the native clerks employed in the Government Geological Department at Calcutta. They asked the supreme authorities to close the office because "they were suffering from perspiration and a want of enthusiasm for their work.

Whenever Queen Victoria goes on her travels, her mattresses accompany her. Instead of being stuffed with hair in accordance with American ideas of comfort, the royal mattresses are filled with the softest wool, and must all be of uniform weight and thickness.

Broadway, N. Y., is to have a cable road which is promised to have cars running on the 1st of May next.

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ENGRAVING WITH DYNAMITE.

Figures Reproduced on Iron by Firing the Explosive Above Them.

Among the many new uses to which gunpowder and other high explosives have been applied recently is that of engraving. By means of the force generated by the detonation of these articles the lines of delicate leaves, grass and insects have been impressed on the surface of the hardest iron procurable in the space of half a second. By old processes, says the New York Herald, hours were consumed where machinery was used and any attempt was made to secure artistic results, and days where manufacturers resorted to hand work.

Many recent experiments have been made, mostly by officers of the army and navy, which have demonstrated the efficiency of the methods.

At Newport a few weeks ago a heavy charge of dynamite was exploded by several officers who were delegated by the government to test a new method of electricity in fuses.

Somehow a small dried leaf without the knowledge of the officers had slipped in between the dynamite cartridge and the iron block from which the charge had been fired.

When the experiment had been completed the officers were surprised to find the perfect imprint of a leaf in the iron. The most delicate lines were reproduced with startling distinctness.

A series of experiments, which were attended with remarkable results, followed.

One of the officers who made the first experiments is now in the city, and he gave me an account of his discoveries when I saw him at an up-town hotel the other night.

"I was rather surprised to find that it was possible to reproduce the outlines of perishable articles upon the surface of iron by means of explosives," said he, "and was at first sceptical, although I had often heard that a candle could be fired though an oak plank.

"When we found the imprint of the leaf we made several similar tests.

"They took place at the torpedo station in Newport. We placed several leaves and flowers between two plates of boiler iron and then fired a moderate charge of dynamite on the upper plate.

"The exact outlines with even the veins in the petals of the flowers were reproduced in the hard metal.

"Other and more extended experiments were attended with similar results.

"Another singular fact is that when exploded under water the imprints are much finer than those produced in the open air. Frequently when a wad of gun cotton is exploded beneath the surface of the water the explosive will sink into the iron foundation so deep that the sunken words and figures will be reproduced in raised characters on the iron."

Several manufacturers have followed the example set by the officers and some day probably dynamite will be put in practical use as an engraver.

HORSES IN SPECTACLES.

The Queer Sight Recently Witnessed in Moravia.

One of the curious effects of the unwonted cold weather in Europe during the past winter was observed in Austrian Moravia, where the inhabitants are said to be very fond of their horses, and humanely inclined toward them.

For many weeks, says Youth's Companion, the ground was covered with a thick coating of snow. As this was unusual, and the people found that their own eyes were unpleasantly affected by the intense whiteness of the snow, it occurred to them that their horses must be affected in the same way, and needed protection for their eyes.

The farmers, therefore, procured quantities of goggles and spectacles with black, blue or green glass, which they tied over their horses' eyes whenever they went out.

A market day in Moravia during the prevalence of the great snow is said to have been a funny sight. Scores of horses, dragging wagons through the snow, or else improvised sleds and sledges, were seen in the streets, and nearly every horse had on a pair of blue or green spectacles.

White horses were especially comical, and if they possessed a sense of the ridiculous, as some horses are thought to do, perhaps they wished that they were black or chestnut, for on colored horses the glasses were not so conspicuous.

Survival of the Fittest.

The Chinese are a queer people, and I do not believe Americans will ever understand them. Since Tom Glenn was fooled by that fellow in California I do not believe everything I hear about the Chinese; but still we hear queer things about them all the time. I heard some western men talking a short while ago about them, says a writer in the Atlanta Constitution. "Did you ever see a lame Chinaman?" said a man from Deadwood. They all answered no. "Well, I'll tell you why. When a Chinaman gets hurt or loses a limb, they kill him. It is part of their religion. I know a Chinaman who was hurt while blasting rock on a railroad in Idaho. His hand was blown off. The doctor fixed it and said it was all right. We missed the wounded Chinaman a few days afterward, and inquired of some of his friends, and were informed that he was dead. 'Died of the wound?' we asked. 'No,' said the Chinaman, 'drinkee tea—killee him.'" Did you ever see a lame Chinaman?

A New Explosive.

The new explosive, ecrasite, is the invention of two Austrian engineers named Siersch and Kubin. Its power in relation to dynamite is declared to be as 100 to 70, and it can be carried from place to place with perfect safety. It emits a thick black smoke, and the detonating noise is louder than that of gunpowder, but shorter, sharper and clearer. A bombshell loaded with it explodes with such terrible results that experiments against palisades representing 100, 250 and 500 men, at ranges of 300, 750 and 1,200 meters, recorded slaughter on every division of the palisade standing for a soldier.

BEAUTY AT THE BELL-PUNCH.

A Chicago Girl Serves as a Car Conductor During Her Lover's Illness.

Some employes introduced an innovation in conductors on the Madison street cable line one day recently, says the Chicago Herald. Passengers on one car were not asked the question: "Fare, please," in the ordinary masculine voice, but dainty, dulcet, feminine tones propounded it in a hesitating voice, accompanied by a dainty tap on the arm or shoulder, which made the men want to pay more than once. She was a perfect vision of loveliness. A dainty, fair complexion of a healthy pink tinge was beautifully shaded from the red rose of the cheeks to the clear alabaster of the temples.

Pretty dimples broke the roundness of the cheeks, and large, blue eyes, shielded by long, curving lashes, modestly peeped in a half-pitiful, half-defiant manner at the passengers. A jaunty conductor's cap was saucily set on a tightly curling mass of golden hair. She was evidently a new hand at the business.

The gripman confidentially told a knot of young men that she was a "stunner" and had just come to work that morning. When she would catch the eye of one of her evidently admiring passengers, a blush would wave up from her neck and down the dainty color in her cheeks with its flood of crimson. She was evidently full of business, however. One young man who got on the car sat in speechless amazement at the vision which approached him for his fare, but he was awakened from his day dreams by the demand, vouched in business-like tones. He pulled out a nickel, which he dropped into the extended palm of the conductress and relapsed into his dream.

Every young man on the car—and it was crowded, too—rode clear around the loop again, and back to the West side. They were still on the car paying fares when the reporter jumped off. Inquiries developed the following story as to the presence of this vision on the car. The conductor, who was her sweetheart, had become suddenly ill while on the car, and was compelled to leave at once. The woman had been cashier in a downtown restaurant, and knew how to handle money, in addition to being familiar with the duties of a conductor from frequent rides on the car with her fiance. A friend assisted him from the car, and she donned his cap and took his place so that he would not be compelled to continue the trip while ill. She made one round trip, when her betrothed rejoined the car and relieved her of the unpleasant duties. They were afraid if he reported sick the time would be lost, and his standing as an employe would be impaired.

She expressed a strong dislike for the work, and declared she would never again accept such a position under any circumstances, but when she accepted the undertaking she was bound to remain at the post of duty. If her conductor lover has ever entertained any doubt as to her affection for him he is now completely satisfied since she has sufficiently proved it. From the way nickels poured in on that trip it looks as if President Yerkes could make a paying investment by hiring several lady conductors—of course, exercising a due regard for beauty.

Royalty in Wigs.

It seems that the hair on the heads of royal ladies turns gray quite like that of ordinary mortals. This discovery arises from a discussion over the grandmaship of the princess of Wales, whom everybody here has grown accustomed to think of as possessing the trick of perpetual youth. Mr. Labouchere has, however, pointed out that she wears a wig, and it appears that this is constructed by an artist of fabulous craftsmanship, whose identity is a profound state secret. The ex-Queen Isabella is said, however, to have obtained his address by frankly throwing herself on the mercy of the gentle-hearted princess, with the result that her iron-gray crown of once raven hair is now replaced by jaunty, short, chestnut curls. Moved by envy of these, the present queen regent of Spain, the Austrian Christina, upon whose youth toil and trouble have imposed premature grayness, is said also to have implored the privilege of sharing the secret, and, in consequence, will shortly dazzle Madrid with child-like locks.

An Automaton Bootblack.

A machine has been patented for use in the office or the home which will enable the matutinal "shine" to be achieved under new conditions of ease and economy. The machine is so constructed that the operator can seat himself in front of it, place his feet on the rests each side of a rotary roller, brush the inner sides at the same time and by alternating the feet from one rest to the other enable the whole surface of the shoe to be effectively polished. Underneath the brush is a depressible footplate set on springs to afford easy position for finishing the top of the shoe. A belt from a driving wheel engages with a V-grooved wheel on the shaft of the brush and drives it at a multiplied speed. The shoes are cleaned of dust or dried mud very quickly and the blacking is applied in the usual manner by a daubing brush, after which the polishing process is quickly completed.

No Paupers in Servia.

The opinion is generally held that there is nothing entirely perfect in existence. The opinion holds good in Servia's case. It has had more trouble with its reigning princes during this century than almost all the other European countries combined, and yet—though the fact is not generally known—it is one of the best countries in the world, at least so far as the condition of its lower classes is concerned. At the last census (estimated in 1890) the total population was given at 2,000,043, of which not a single one was a pauper. There is no such a thing as a workhouse in the country. The inhabitants are thrifty, their tastes run usually to agricultural pursuits and even the poorest have some sort of freehold property.

NOTES FROM THE INDUSTRIES.

BOHEMIA miners' wages average $133 a year.

THE celery crop of Kalamazoo, Mich., will be worth $1,000,000.

CALIFORNIA vineyardists are substituting white for Chinese labor.

TWO NEW mica mines have been lately opened at North Groton, N. H.

SHEEP raising is on the increase in California. There is big money in sheep at present.

INDIA, it is estimated, will produce 110,000,000 pounds of tea during the coming season.

THE annual product of salt throughout the world is estimated at 7,300,000 tons, the larger share coming from English works.

THE product of gold in the United States during the last sixteen years has aggregated the enormous amount of $572,900,000.

IT NOW appears that the Georgia watermelon crop, at an average yield, will be about 10,500 cars, with the possibility that a good season may swell it to 12,000. Watermelons will be cheap and plenty.

THINGS BIG AND OLD.

SHOEMAKERVILLE, Pa., has a pear tree over 150 years old.

THE original oak shingles are still on the roof of a Reading (Pa.) house built in 1750.

HAY thirty-two years old has been found in Wetmore and is said to be well-preserved, bright and sweet.

THE biggest orange tree in Louisiana is claimed to be in Terrebone parish. It is 15 feet in circumference and 50 feet high. The yield this year is expected to reach 10,000 oranges.

MRS. PRISCILLA SCROGGINS, of Gainesville Ga., is 114 years old and has in all 1,153 descendants, 12 children 103 grandchildren, 636 great-grandchildren and 402 great-great-grandchildren.

A HORSE owned in Louisville, Ky., is over forty-seven years old. He is known as Ivanhoe, and bears on his right flank the scar of a gunshot wound received at Bueno Vista in the Mexican war.

NOTED IN GREAT BRITAIN.

BRITISH yachts are quoted low. The Zelia, which cost £4,500 to build, was sold for £340.

THE 1890 record for British lifeboats shows a saving of 555 lives besides rescuing twenty-seven vessels from destruction.

A SPORTING estate in the highlands of Scotland, which was valued a few years ago at £84,000 was offered for sale recently at Edinburgh, and the reserve price was only £35,000, but there was not a single bid.

BRITISH land values keep declining. The splendid Dunalastair estates in Perthshire have just been sold for £130,000, £155,000 having been paid for them in 1885, and very costly improvements having been added since.

A MEMBER of parliament named Hunter proposes that the Scotch deer forests should be bought and converted into popular farms and pleasure grounds. The present rental of these areas is about £90,000 a year.

FOR THE FAIR READER.

SEPARATE cards should be left for each lady in a family.

TO REMOVE spots on velvet the trimming must be unpicked on one side and put over hot water to steam, then brush up the nap.

IF the complexion is greasy and thick soap, with carbolic acid or sulphur, is excellent, and flour of sulphur, a teaspoonful to a basin of water, should be used for washing.

A MAGIC preparation for keeping frizzes "in" is found in mixing equal parts of glycerine and rose water and anointing the hair freely with it before curling, or an equally good mixture is made with perfumed olive oil with beeswax dissolved therein.

TO SKETCH or transfer a design on china it is necessary to first rub the surface which you wish to receive the pencil marks with spirits of turpentine. Let it dry, and with a medium or soft lead pencil there will be no difficulty in making a distinct outline.

FACTS OF FOREIGN NATIONS.

PORTUGAL owes $500,000,000.

THE receipts of the French treasury are larger than those of any other civilized nation.

QUEENSLAND, Australia, owes the largest national debt per capita—$338.46 a head.

CORSICA has 90,000 goats, and the annual profits on a herd of twenty-four in milk and meat are reckoned at $200.

THE English parliament is about to pass a bill authorizing any one magistrate to order a youth under sixteen years of age to be whipped by a policeman if he stole an apple from a tree or played at pitch and toss.

THE right of felling trees over no fewer than 693,000 square miles of the Kerassond forests and 497,000 square miles of the Fireboil forests, near Trebizond, has been granted by the Turkish government to private speculators.

TEA-TABLE DISHES.

CREAM BISCUIT.—Two cups cream (sour), one teaspoonful of saleratus, pinch of salt and pinch of sugar, flour enough to mix quite soft.—Detroit Free Press.

COOKIES.—One cup sour cream, one cup sugar, one egg, one even teaspoon soda, flour to make moderately stiff dough. Roll thin and bake in a quick oven.—Housekeeper.

GAY CRULLERS.—One cupful of sugar, three eggs, butter size of an egg, flour enough to make the dough stiff enough to roll; cut in fancy shapes, fry in hot fat, roll each one in powdered sugar and serve on a napkin.—Boston Herald.

BUTTERMILK BISCUITS.—One quart of flour, one tablespoonful of lard, one teaspoonful of salt and one of soda. Sour buttermilk for a soft dough. Make in small, round balls; set closely together in a greased pan; bake one-half hour.—Housekeeper.

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